Message from the Symposium Chairs

On the behalf of the program committee, we would like to welcome you to Boca-Raton, Florida, for the Sixth International Symposium on Software Metrics (METRICS 99).

METRICS is the premier international meeting in the field of empirical studies and quantitative methods in software engineering. It is now increasingly recognized that, without such an underpinning in quantitative methods, software engineering will have tremendous difficulties becoming a mature engineering discipline.

METRICS encompasses software measurement, experimental design, qualitative analysis, stochastic modeling, and machine learning to address software engineering issues of practical importance. This conference’s program will cover both theoretical and practical topics. This blend of research, engineering, and management is what makes METRICS a really enjoyable and diverse experience.

We would like to thank the members of the METRICS’99 program committee, who have played a vital role in making this conference a success, as well as the members of the ISSRE’99 organizing committee who have made our co-location possible.

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